

REMARKS

Summary of Office Action

A one-month extension of time to respond to the October 17, 2006 Office Action is hereby respectfully requested. The Director is hereby authorized to charge \$120.00 in payment of the one-month extension of time fee, and any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 in connection with the paper(s) transmitted herewith, or to credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 06-1075 (order no. 099999.0099). A duplicate copy of this Reply is transmitted herewith.

The Examiner has required restriction of the application to one of the following enumerated inventions:

Group I: Claims 1-16\*, drawn to subcombination, classified in class 606, subclass 153;

Group II: Claims 21-25\*\*, drawn to combination, classified in class 606, subclass 139; or

Group III: Claims 27-33\*\*\*, drawn to a method of use, classified in class 128, subclass 898.

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\* It is respectfully submitted that the Examiner intended to define Group I as claims 1-20 rather than "claims 1-16," as stated on page 2 of the Office Action, because claims 17-20 also depend from independent claim 1.

\*\* It is respectfully submitted that the Examiner intended to define Group II as claims 21-26 rather than "claims 21-25," as stated on page 2 of the Office Action, because claim 26 also depends from independent claim 21.

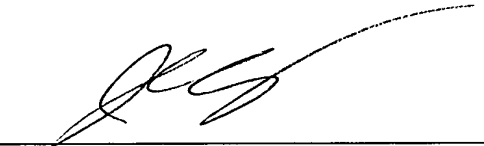
\*\*\* It is respectfully submitted that the Examiner intended to define Group III as claims 27-34 rather than "claims 27-33," as stated on page 2 of the Office Action, because claim 34 also depends from independent claim 27.

Applicants' Response to Restriction Requirement

In response to the restriction requirement, claims 21-34 have been cancelled without prejudice. Applicants expressly reserve the right to pursue any of these cancelled claims in one or more divisional applications. New claims 35-40, which depend from original claim 1, have been added. No new matter has been added due to these amendments to the claims.

An early and favorable action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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